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SUBJ: CIVAIR - BERMUDA AGREEMENT RENEGOTIATION

- 1. E/C MINISTER RAISED QUESTION OF DELEGATION LEADERSHIP DURING CONVERSATION WITH TRADE SECRETARY EDMUND DELL FEB. 15. DELL SAID UK IS GIVING VERY SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO APPOINTING NEW DELEGATION CHIEF. HE ACCEPTED ARGUMENT THAT ASSIGNMENT OF DELEGATION LEADERSHIP TO SOMEONE FROM OUTSIDE WHO COULD BRING FRESH VIEWPOINT TO TALKS COULD BE USEFUL, BUT SAID THIS IS A MORE DIFFICULT PROCESS FOR UK THAN US.
- 2. WE HAVE ALSO HEARD FROM US AIRLINE REPRESENTATIVE IN LONDON THAT HE WAS TOLD BY KNOWLEDGEABLE UK AIR TRANSPORT INDUSTRY FIGURE ROGERS WILL NOT BE LEADING THE UK DELEGATION AT THE FEBRUARY RENEGOTIATION MEETING.
- 3. DEPT. OF TRADE (IAN BROWN) CALLED EMBASSY FEB. 14 TO INQUIRE ABOUT POSSIBLE NEW LEADER OF US RENEGOTIATION DELEGATION. HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD ALAN BOYD HAD BEEN MENTIONED FOR THE POSITION AND ASKED FOR BRIEF RESUME OF BOYD'S BACKGROUND WHICH WE PROVIDED. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION ABOUT ANY CHANGES IN UK DELEGATION, BROWN PROVIDED SAME INFORMATION AS DELL REPORTED ABOVE AND SAID NO CONFIDENTIAL

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DECISION ON UK SIDE IS EXPECTED FOR NEXT FEW DAYS.

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